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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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RE: 143389-1

Dear Barbara,

Enclosed are two (2) originals of the Memorandum of Railcar Lease dated as of August 5, 2004 between the following parties:

Names and address of the following parties:

Lessor: THE CIT GROUP/EQUIPMENT FINANCING, INC.

1211 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036

Lessee: CHICAGO SOUTHSHORE & SOUTH BEND RAILROAD

505 North Carroll Avenue Michigan City, IN 46360

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

Memorandum of Railcar Lease between Lesson THE CIT GROUP/EQUIPMENT FINANCING, INC. and Lessee: CHICAGO SOUTHSHORE & SOUTH BEND RAILROAD covering 50 covered gondola cars with reporting marks and numbers –CSS 1700 – CSS 1749 - INCLUSIVE.

Please file this memorandum as a PRIMARY document and return one (1) stamped original to my attention. A check covering the filing fee of thirty-two dollars (\$32.00) is enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding the filing, please feel free to call me at 800-995-5071 ext. 3813.

Thank you for your prompt assistance.

Sincerely,

April O'Shea Motor Vehicle Specialist Corporation Service Company 801 Adlai Stevenson Drive Springfield, IL 62703 (800) 995-5071 ext. 3813

MEMORANDUM OF RAILCAR LEASE

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KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

WHEREAS, the Lessor and the Lessee entered into that certain Master Railcar Lease (the "Lease") dated as of ______ covering the equipment listed on Schedule A hereto (the "Equipment").

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to show for the public record the existence of the aforesaid Lease, and the respective interests therein of the parties and accordingly the Parties have caused this memorandum to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers, as of the date first above written.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by each of the Parties hereto, by this instrument the Lessor hereby leases and confirms the lease of the Equipment to the Lessee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Lease, and the Lessee confirms and accepts such terms and conditions, which are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

I certify that I hold the title set forth below, that this instrument was signed on behalf of the Lessor by authority of its Board of Directors and that I acknowledge that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of the Lessor. I further declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

By: Joseph Mankowski
Title: Senior Vice President

I certify that I hold the title set forth below, that this instrument was signed on behalf of the Lessee by authority of its Board of Directors and that I acknowledge that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of the Lessee. I further declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

CHICAGO SOUTHSHORE & SOUTH BEND RAILROAD

By: Standard Title: Figure 1

Schedule A

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Number of			Equipment Des	ription
50	42' c	overed coil gondola car		······································
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